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1. SUMMARY. NOV 26 GROUP B MEETING HEARD REPORTS ON NOV 8 INTER-GROUP CONSULTATIONS AND NOV 18-19 OECD AD HOC MEETING, DISCUSSED ORDER OF PC-V AGENDA AND HOW TO APPROACH DISCUSSION OF PROVISIONAL AGENDA ITEM 4. END SUMMARY.

2. AT NOV 26 GROUP B MEETING, MINISTER UNGERER (FRG) IN CHAIR, U.S. GAVE ACCOUNT OF NOV 8 INTERGROUP CONSULTATIONS, NOTING THAT MEETING LARGELY DEVOTED TO DESULTORY, INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION (INITIATED BY FERNANDINI) WHETHER PRESENT WORDING OF PC-V PROV. AGENDA ITEM 4 HAD EFFECT OF LIMITING DISCUSSION TO ORGANIZATIONAL ASPECTS OF PREPARATIONS FOR UNIDO-II (MAJORITY PRESENT ON NOV 8 INDICATED EXPECTATION ADDRESS UNIDO-II SUBSTANCE, WHETHER OR NOT PC-V DECIDED AMEND PROV. AGENDA). IN PROCESS, FERNANDINI HAD INTRODUCED SOME DOUBT WHETHER THERE EXISTED INTER-GROUP DISPOSITION AMEND ORDER OF PROVISIONAL AGENDA AS SUGGESTED AT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EARLIER INTERGROUP CONSULTATIONS, AND BEFORE THIS COULD BE RESOLVED

OR MATTERS OF SUBSTANCE INTRODUCED FERNANDINI DECLARED MEETING CONCLUDED.

3. BRIEF UNCRITICAL ACCOUNT OF NOV 18-19 MEETING PROVIDED. SINCE COPIES OF REVISED OECD DRAFT (CES/UN(74)13) ONLY DISTRIBUTED AT OUTSET OF GROUP B MEETING (THROUGH COURTESY OF FRG MISSION WHO HAD ARRANGED HAVE IT HAND-CARRIED FROM PARIS) IT WAS AGREED THERE NO PURPOSE IN SUBSTANTIVE CONVERSATION RE REVISED DRAFT OF NOV 18-19 MEETING. CHAIRMAN REPORTED HE HAD BOOKED CONFERENCE ROOM (AT HOFBURG) FOR GROUP B'S USE DEC 5 AND 6, WHEN OECD REVISED DRAFT WOULD BE VETTED.

4. ON ORDER OF PC-V AGENDA, GROUP B REAFFIRMED ITS OBJECTIVE TO DISPENSE WITH ALL ITEMS EXTRANEIOUS TO UNIDO-II BETWEEN DEC 2 AND 5, IN ORDER PERMIT BALANCE OF PC-V BE DEVOTED TO UNIDO-II PREPARATION.

5. UNGERER CONFIRMED REPORT WE HAD JUST HEARD TO EFFECT FERNANDINI PRESENTLY AT MEXICO CITY MEETING AND PLANNED RETURN VIA NEW YORK REACHING VIENNA O/A DEC 5. NO ONE HAD YET BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE WHO WOULD BE ACTING CHAIRMAN.

6 GROUP HAD LENGTHY INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION OF TACTICS FOR APPROACHING PC-V AGENDA ITEM 4. GERMANS, SUPPORTED BY DUTCH, ADVOCATED GROUP B MEMBERS MAKING GENERAL DELEGATE-TYPE STATEMENTS OF POSITION ON DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND PLAN OF ACTION, KEYED TO DISCUSSION OF ID/B/C.3/27. SOME DISCUSSION ENSUED CONCERNING STATUS TO BE ACCORDED ID/B/C.3/27, REGIONAL DECLARATIONS AND EVENTUAL OECD-ORIGINATED GROUP B DRAFT. IN THIS CONNECTION, THERE WAS CLEAR DISPOSITION ON PART OF MOST OF GROUP B TO PLAN TO INTRODUCE SUITABLY REVISED VERSION OF OECD PAPER AS CONFERENCE ROOM PAPER O/A DEC 10; FRG, BRITS AND DUTCH APPEARED PARTICULARLY CONVINCED OF MERITS THIS APPROACH. WE SUGGESTED MIGHT BE PRE-MATURE DECIDE HOW AND WHEN SUCH PAPER SHOULD BE USED AT PC-V, AT LEAST PENDING OUTCOME DEC 5-6 GROUP B MEETING AND FURTHER INDICATION WHAT G-77 HAS IN MIND. FURTHER QUESTION TO BE ADDRESSED BY GROUP B, POSSIBLY AT DEC 5-6 MEETING, IS WHETHER DRAFT DECLARATIONS OF PRINCIPLES AND PLANS OF ACTION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED CONCURRENTLY OR WHETHER AT EARLY STAGE THEY SHOULD BE SEPARATED.

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7. GROUP PASSED LIGHTLY OVER OTHER ITEMS OF PC-V PROVISIONAL AGENDA. WE REPORTED AS OF THIS A.M. FIRST DRAFT OF SECRETARIAT PAPER ON WFC'S CONSEQUENCES FOR UNIDO STILL INCOMPLETE; EXPECTATION IS PAPER WILL BE 5-7 PAGES, POSSIBLY WITH ANNEX CONTAINING WHAT SECRETARIAT CONSIDERS UNIDO-RELEVANT PARTS OF WFC RESOLUTIONS. PAPER LIKELY EMPHASIZE PROSPECTIVE UNIDO ROLE RE FERTILIZERS AND PESTICIDES, MECHANIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF STORAGE. PAPER WILL NOT BE DISTRIBUTED BEFORE DEC 2.

8. WE DREW ON VIENNA 9875 RE HIGHLIGHTS OF SECRETARIAT FOLLOW-UP TO AHC'S RECOMMENDATIONS (ID/B/C.3/29), ESPECIALLY EMPHASIS ON FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS, BUT OTHER GROUP B MEMBERS DID NOT COMMENT.

9. GROUP AGREED "KEEP EVALUATION ALIVE" BY REFERENCE TO EARLIER POSITIONS TAKEN, BUT TO HOLD DISCUSSION AT PC-V TO NECESSARY MINIMUM.

10. CHAIRMAN FORESAW POSSIBILITY OF CONVENING GROUP B MORNING OF DEC 3, BUT NEXT FIRMLY SCHEDULED GROUP B MEETING SET FOR DEC 5-6. STIBRAVY

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